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CIRCUS DAY.

The Kids are Planning for a Big Holiday.

At Brockville, Friday, July 25th, Sparks World's Famous Shows will hold forth for a matinee and night performance, and the rare, unique and wonderful things that have been promised on paper will become a reality.

The airy riders who, in diaphanous skirts have been pirouetting on the expansive backs of beautiful and speedy circus horses (on the billboards), will be seen in all the gorgeousness of tulle and seductive smile; the elephants will copy their pictured acts of comedy and go them one better; the contortionist will proceed to disentangle himself from the knots he tied in his responsive body last year; the acrobatic families will turn dizzy somersaults and the clowns will work off their best and latest comedy stunts to the great delight of the crowds present—we all like the clowns.

There is nothing on earth like the circus. It is the people's show par excellence. It is the one great American amusement that appeals to all the people.

The merit in a big circus like the Sparks Shows is in the fact that everything in the show is the very best of its kind. There must inevitably be riding acts, but the riders are the leaders of their profession. There must be acrobats, but the acrobatic artists and aerialists are gathered from the wide world and are the best that money can procure.

It is this superiority in the quality of the performers that makes the Sparks Shows such a welcome visitor.

Some time my friends have said to me: "Why don't you drive a car? You're moving round considerably, it would be better far."

The Dodge, the Ford, the Chevrolet, McLaughlin's quite a car. You'd want the best, an Overland, An agency, by Gar.

They know right well I am so poor, A free lunch could not buy, And yet they talk this stuff to me; I know the reason why.

It is to tease, to hear me spout, To talk of better days, Some time, in there, before the war, When things all went my way.

If I had "man" and such a sum That I could sport a car, Some thousands in the bank to draw And some gold in the bar.

I'd buy a horse, a living horse, A thoroughbred to ride, A stallion of the richest blood To paw the air and stride.

I'd have my stalls all carpeted, As far as I could see, One long array of fitted steeds, As clean as they could be.

Blood, speed, beauty, all therein A horse in every class; No, Sir, no rumbling car for me, Unless I'm in my cask.

—Sam.

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BUY YOUR COAL NOW.

A survey of the coal situation by the Commission of Conservation proves that a coal shortage next winter, and possibly next autumn, is almost a certainty.

During the year ended May 24, the output of anthracite was only 1,679,600 tons. This production is 65,000 tons than the week preceding, and is 226,000 tons less than the corresponding week in 1918. While the production is falling off, retail dealers in the United States continue to be deluged with orders from customers who are insistent upon prompt deliveries.

Up to June 7th of the present year, the total production of anthracite was only 33,349,500 net tons as compared with 42,858,000 tons in the corresponding period of 1918, a decline of 9 1/2 million tons, or 22 per cent. It is a fair assumption that the production during 1919 will be less than 80,000,000 tons, whereas the production in 1918 was 99,514,334 tons. If this prediction be verified, there will be a shortage of 20,000,000 tons, or 20 per cent.

The shortage is due to a number of causes, not the least of which is the migration of tens of thousands of Jugo-Slavs, Czech-Slavs, Hungarians, Poles and other Europeans who are returning to Europe.

In addition, if there is such a serious shortage, we may confidently expect much higher prices for anthracite. Therefore, the Commission of Conservation advises consumers to purchase their winter supply of hard coal at the earliest possible date.

NOT ROUND OF JOY

Some Few Drawbacks Connected With Simple Life.

Man Who Goes Back to Nature Finds That He Has in No Way Escaped the Curse of Adam, Laid on Us All.

Back to nature? Well, what about it? For twelve hours out of the twenty-four I am now immolated in a forest near Vashon Heights, bordering the clammy beach, trying to feed the hungry maw of the camp stove, the while napping my streaming brow and getting back my wind. The other twelve hours of the day I am dashing across twelve miles of water in a saucy craft, getting to work, working, and dashing back again at eventide to prepare the firewood for the evening repast. We would get along fine in this world were it not for the fact that we are obliged to eat.

My poets have lately referred much to nature's wondrous beauty that we of the city lose, and I am now engaged in investigating the matter, but I find the little intimate matters connected with living close to nature take so much of one's time that one has few moments for nature, except, perhaps, if one be profane, to swear at the entangling brush, the beach barnacles, and the thickness of the log one is trying to saw through.

Some day when I get, perhaps, two days' firewood ahead, and the pancake flour, butter and bacon, crackers, tea, coffee, bread, etc., all in, if the boat is not whistling for the dock, I intend to lift my weary head from my sodden task, brush the perspiration from my eyes, and absorb some of this beauty of nature that I hear so much about.

Last night I tore away a few moments from wood sawing to get into the waters of the Sound. It was apparent at once that the Sound water is experiencing a very late spring, and that its winter freshness has not yet worn off. However, after one is in—after the first shock—one gets reconciled to the change, and the tonic effect is highly exhilarating. After the dip I sat on the veranda of my shack and felt so well that I saw my way clear to buy my winter's coal and pay the last half of my taxes. My goodness, it would be worth while for everyone to take to beach bathing if only for the optimism it induces! I can even stand it to have Willie sit around and tell me how to do things. Willie is only fifteen but he has an enormous knowledge on every subject. He is here in the wilderness for the first time in his life, yet he instructs me how to saw a log and prepare the firewood and on other reasonable topics, and the only way I can get even with him is to send him two miles after milk, thereby giving him opportunity to get still closer to nature.

One would greatly enjoy communing with nature, no doubt, if one had time to commune in this busy, stressful business life. And there are hints of it. Yesterday the sun came up on a world as fresh and bright as though it had been made overnight; the soft sea breeze came in through the window, a strange forest bird chirruped outside; the lapping of the water on the beach wooed to further slumber, and I was about to take another eyelid and another earful when the camp cook howled hoarsely for fuel, summoning me hastily back to this material world. If I can arrange to get along without eating, I think I am going to like this back-to-nature life of the camp.—Seattle Post Intelligencer.

New Thing in Diplomacy.

Just recently, one of the allied powers, in the process of setting its house in order, or, rather, going carefully over the ground to see what needed most to be set in order, tackled its diplomatic service. It found many things that were out of date, and many other things that never had been in date, and it determined to make many reforms.

Perhaps the most significant was the one which provided that in future a working knowledge of stenography should be an essential part of the diplomatic equipment. More and more, surely is it being proved true that the ambassador of the old order passed with the advent of the telegraph and telephone.

Some one once said, indeed, that ambassadors nowadays had become clerks; an exaggeration, of course, but the latest "requirement" lends color to the view.—Christian Science Monthly.

Farm Gardens.

The farm garden idea did not start with our entry into the war, but had its inception in 1914, when the Women's Farm Gardens association was formed. At first the association busied itself to obtain positions for women in farm and garden work. After we got into the war and the dangers of a food shortage threatened, the association began work along the lines of the department of agriculture in England, which encouraged the tilling of small pieces of land, going so far as to give out allotments to those who will till them. The boy scouts and other bodies have done much this year along the line of war gardening.

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